

# H.R. 1139 – Riverside-Corona Feeder Water Supply Act

#### **Floor Situation**

H.R. 1139 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Ken Calvert (R-CA) on February 16, 2007. The bill was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and has not been considered by any Committee in the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

H.R. 1139 is expected to be considered by the House on June 5, 2007.

## **Summary**

H.R. 1139 authorizes the Secretary of the Interior, in cooperation with the Western Municipal Water District, to participate in the planning, design, and construction of the Riverside-Corona Feeder. This water supply project includes 20 groundwater wells, groundwater treatment facilities, water storage and pumping facilities, and 28 miles of pipeline in San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, California.

The Federal share of the cost to plan, design, and construct the project will not be more than 25 percent of the total cost of the project, and the federal share shall not exceed \$50,000,000.

The legislation authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to carry out \$50,000,000 in appropriations or 25% of the total cost of the project, whichever is less.

#### Background

The Riverside-Corona Feeder Water Supply provides protection from drought and offers groundwater protection to the people of Southern California in the San Bernardino Valley. The water is used for drought protection, irrigation, as well as for drinking.

The system moves approximately 40,000 acre feet per year of groundwater.

## Cost

H.R. 1139 has not been scored by the Congressional Budget Office.

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